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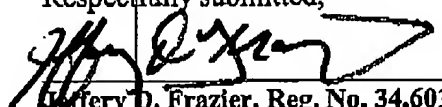
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Sir:

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on January 14, 2004, and the Official Filing Receipt was mailed April 20, 2004. Since then, we have yet to receive an office action from the Patent Office regarding this application.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Commissioner advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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